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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail & First- Class Package Service
Contract 9 (MC2016-44)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2016-59

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS ON POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO PRIORITY MAIL & FIRST-CLASS PACKAGE SERVICE CONTRACT 9

(April 4, 2022)

The Public Representative hereby provides comments pursuant to a Commission's Notice Initiating Dockets.<sup>1</sup> In that Notice, Commission gave interested persons, including the undersigned Public Representative, an opportunity to comment on a Postal Service notice to amend Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract Number 9.<sup>2</sup>

The Commission approved the original Priority Mail & FirstClass Package Service Contract 9 in Order No. 2965.<sup>3</sup> The Postal Service states that "the terms of Priority Mail & FirstClass Package Service Contract 9 have changed." PS Notice at 1. To support the PS Notice, the Postal Service filed a redacted copy of the amendment under seal. The Postal Service also filed supporting financial documentation under seal and a certified statement as required by 39 C.F.R. § 3015.5. The amendment is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Notice Initiating Docket(s) for Recent Postal Service Negotiated Service Agreement Filings, March 23, 2022 (Notice).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> USPS Notice of Amendment to Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 9, Filed Under Seal, March 25, 2022 (PS Notice).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Order No. 2965 Order Adding Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 9 to the Competitive Product List, Docket Nos. MC2016-44/CP2016-59, December 30, 2015.

scheduled to become effective one business day after the Commission completes its review of the filing. PS Notice at 1.The Postal Service's Notice includes a certified statement as required by 39 C.F.R. § 3015.5, a public (redacted) version of the Amendment to Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 9, and supporting financial data.

## **COMMENTS**

The Public Representative has reviewed the PS Notice and the financial data filed under seal. Based upon that review, the Public Representative concludes that Contract 9, as amended, should continue to generate sufficient revenues to cover costs and thereby satisfy 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a) and thus should be approved by the Commission.

The Commission will also have an opportunity to review the revenue, cost, and volume data for the amended for Priority Mail & First-Class Package Service Contract 9 annually, when the Postal Service files its Annual Compliance Reports.

The Public Representative respectfully submits the foregoing comments for the Commission's consideration.

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